

Newsletter



PATTISON
COLLEGE

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Dear Parents

One month today until Christmas day! Would you believe it! Below is a little taster of what has been and will be going on in school in the run up to Christmas.

A reminder that the diary dates on the back page now show in **RED** when parents are invited. This way we hope to give you plenty of time to make arrangements to attend. As ever, never hesitate to contact us should you have any concerns or any good news you would like to share with us.

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Congratulations

Last Saturday was a really successful day for those involved in the Coventry Festival of Speech & Drama. Our pupils were highly complimented, not only on their performance, but also on their conduct. They were excellent ambassadors for school.

Pupils in Lower & Upper Juniors and Year 7 to 9 all entered the Group Verse Speaking.

The **Lower Juniors** took first place class in age group D with 86 points and **Upper Juniors** came second with 85 points.

Year 8 pupils were first in age group C with 88 points, the highest overall mark in all age categories in the Group Verse section and won the shield.

Year 7 took second place in group C with 85 points.

Year 9 took first place in age group B with 86 points.

Pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 also entered some of the solo classes and achieved superb results.

Verse Speaking Age group C	Scarlett Y7	86	Second
	Ella Y7	83	Highly Commended.
Verse Reading Age group C	Lilly Y7	83	First
Prepared Reading Age group C	Olivia Y7	85	Second
Prepared Reading Age group B	Grace Y9	85	Second
Solo Acting Age group C	Mercedes Y7	85	First
Solo Acting Age group B:	Isabella Y9	89	First (Highest Festival Mark.)
	William Y9	88	Second
	Grace Y9	86	Fourth

Well done to all concerned, especially to Miss Monique who prepared the pupils so well. Thank you to all the parents and staff who came along to support the pupils. I certainly felt very proud and I imagine those parents there did as well.



Children in Need

Thanks to our pupils' fund raising attempts we have raised an impressive £401.50 for Children in Need. Add to that the £240 raised by the Tap-a-Thon and the total raised £641.50! This is an outstanding achievement for a small school such as ours and equates to more than £6 per pupil! Thank you to all those who sent in donations. There are still some Pudsey stationery sets (£6) and one or two other less expensive items that children might like to buy, available from the office.

Careers

Pupils in Years 9, 10 & 11 visited the Skills Show at the NEC last Thursday and had the opportunity to get face to face careers advice from industry experts. Years 10 and 11 will also be having careers interviews with Mrs North before the end of term.

Prep School Christmas Outing

This year the Upper Infants and Lower & Upper Juniors will be going to St John's Museum in Warwick on Wednesday 7 December to experience a Victorian Christmas, including making a traditional Christmas pudding. Nursery and Reception pupils will be experiencing a traditional Christmas in school and are having their outing in the New Year.

Digital Parenting Magazine

Thanks to Izzy's mum (Y9) we have been able to secure enough copies of the Vodafone Digital Parenting Magazine to issue one per family. The magazine is suitable for parents of pupils of all ages and articles include online safety, cyber bullying and how not to embarrass your child on social media! I do hope you find the magazine as informative as we did.

Prep School Play "Children of the World"

We would like to invite Prep School parents to watch the festive production on Friday 9 December at 9am. Steve, from Treasured Memories, will be recording the show, if we can secure a minimum of 20 advance orders. DVDs cost £16 each. Orders for DVDs must be received by Monday 5 December.

M&S Bag Packing Saturday 10 December

In Monday's assembly the pupils will be hearing all about how we raise funds for the Coventry's Children's Boot Fund by packing shopping at Marks & Spencer in the City Centre. Over the past 12 years we have raised more than £10,000 for this much needed charity.

Senior pupils work two to a till. Year 11 pupils traditionally have first choice but a sheet for signing up will be posted in the Senior School. Staff will be in attendance all the time. Please encourage your child to get involved and do and see us yourselves!

DIARY DATES

NOV	26	Clive Mark Uniform Sale 9.00 – 11.30 in downstairs classroom in Senior School
	28	Y11 Mock GCSEs and Year 10 tests begin
DECEMBER	3	Professor Preedy – How to bring out the best in your child workshop 11.30 – 3.00 (by invitation)
	9	Prep School Christmas Play (parents to watch) 9am
	9	PTA Second Hand Uniform Sale 3pm in the Senior School
	10	M&S bag packing (senior pupils) for Coventry Children Boot Fund
	12/13	Chamber Choir sing in the foyer at Coventry University Hospital 11.30-12.30
	13	Carol Service rehearsal 12.45 – 3.30
	14	Carol Service at Stoke St Michael's Church 6pm ALL PUPILS INVOLVED. NO AFTER SCHOOL SUPERVISION
	15	Break up for Christmas holiday at 3pm NO AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION OR DANCING
JAN	3	Staff Inset Day (school closed to pupils) & Year 10 two weeks Work Experience
	4	School reopens